

Turf Wars

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Key question:

How should we live in a world where the kingdom of darkness co-exists with the kingdom of God?

The Parable of the Weeds

24 Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. 25 But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away..

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Matthew 13 The Parable of the Weeds

²⁶When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.

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The Parable of the Weeds Explained

³⁶Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."

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The Parable of the Weeds Explained

³⁷He answered, “The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one,

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The Parable of the Weeds Explained

³⁹and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.

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Attack of the Superweed

New strains resist Roundup, the world's top-selling herbicide



Four Kingdom Lessons

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2. The enemy cannot destroy the wheat, but he can create less than ideal growing conditions.

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3. When we grow impatient for God's vindication, remember that He is waiting for some weeds to become wheat.



2 Peter 3:8, 9

⁸But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. ⁹The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness.

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He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

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4. Harvesting is God's job and you can rest assured that a righteous harvest of judgment & victory is just around the corner.

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⁴⁰ As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will

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send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. ⁴²They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and

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gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

Romans 12:21

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.





